

6. (Twice Amended) An immunoassay for detection of a specific antigen, comprising:

a) contacting a sample suspected of containing said specific antigen with a first antibody linked to a solid support, said first antibody being specific for a first epitope on the antigen;

b) washing off excess sample [reagents];

c) incubating with a solution of a second and a third antibody specific for a second and a third epitope of said antigen, and

modified with [crosslinkable] conjugatable oligonucleotides, wherein

said oligonucleotides conjugate to each other when said second and third antibody [become crosslinked when both] are both bound to [the said, same] said antigen; [,]

d) washing off excess solution [reagents]; [,]

e) amplifying said conjugated [crosslinked] oligonucleotides; [,] and

f) detecting the amplified products.

Claim 9, line 1, replace "aid" with --said--.

Claim 10, line 1, delete "or 9".